

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S755–S779

Measures Introduced: Twenty-six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 775–800, and S. Res. 105. **Pages S771–72**

Neiman Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Brent Neiman, of Illinois, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury. **Pages S765–67**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 52 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. EX. 53), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S765–67**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, March 15, 2023; that all post-cloture time be considered expired at 11:30 a.m., and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; that if cloture has been invoked on the nomination of Eric M. Garcetti, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of India, all post-cloture time be considered expired at 2:15 p.m., and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; and that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Ravi Chaudhary, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, all post-cloture time be considered expired at 5:15 p.m. **Page S775**

Clarke Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Jessica G. L. Clarke, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. **Page S765**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Laura Taylor-Kale, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense. **Page S765**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S765**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S765**

Authorizations For Use of Military Force Against Iraq—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 316, to repeal the authorizations for use of military force against Iraq. **Page S765**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Jessica G. L. Clarke, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. **Page S765**

Prior to the consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S765**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Michael Alan Ratney, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. **Pages S767, S779**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Julie A. Su, of California, to be Secretary of Labor.
1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.
14 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Coast Guard, Navy, and Space Force. **Pages S775–79**

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S775**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—53) **Page S767**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:34 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday,

March 15, 2023. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S775.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SPACE FORCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded a hearing to examine Space

Force programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2024 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from General B. Chance Saltzman, USSF, Chief of Space Operations, Department of Defense.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 43 public bills, H.R. 1, 1571–1612; and 10 resolutions, H.J. Res. 43; H. Con. Res. 24; and H. Res. 225–232, were introduced. **Pages H1284–86**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1288–89**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 5, to ensure the rights of parents are honored and protected in the Nation's public schools, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–9). **Page H1284**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Wittman to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1283**

Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts: Representatives McCaul and Letlow. **Page H1283**

House Democracy Partnership—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members to the House Democracy Partnership: Representatives Smith (NE), LaHood, Kelly (PA), Dunn (FL), Fitzpatrick, Kustoff, Hern, Steil, Tenney, and Luna. **Page H1283**

Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy: Representatives Ellzey and C. Scott Franklin (FL). **Page H1283**

Board of Visitors to the United States Merchant Marine Academy—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following

Member on the part of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Merchant Marine Academy: Representative Valadao. **Pages H1283–84**

Senate Referral: S. 758 was held at the desk.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1283.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 4 p.m. and adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2024 for the Congressional Budget Office, the Government Accountability Office, and the Government Publishing Office, 3 p.m., SD–138.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ronald T. Keohane, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Nickolas Guertin, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, both of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine military and civilian personnel programs in the Department of Defense in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2024 and the Future Years Defense Program, 3 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2024, 10:15 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine implementing the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, focusing on perspectives on the Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Act, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the future of U.S.-Brazil relations, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Karen Sasahara, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the State of Kuwait, Elizabeth Rood, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Turkmenistan, Martina Anna Tkadlec Strong, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates, Elizabeth Allen, of New York, to be Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy, and Hugo Yue-Ho Yon, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Maldives, all of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 559, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs, and the nominations of Colleen Joy Shogan, of Pennsylvania, to be Archivist of the United States, Cathy Ann Harris, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board, and Adrienne Jennings Noti, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 10:30 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine protecting public safety after *New York State Rifle and Pistol Association v. Bruen.*, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the future path of VA's Electronic Health Record Modernization program, 3:30 p.m., SD-106.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 15 through March 17, 2023

Senate Chamber

On *Wednesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Brent Neiman, of Illinois, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation thereon at 11:30 a.m.

Following disposition of the nomination of Brent Neiman, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Eric M. Garcetti, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of India. If cloture is invoked on the nomination, Senate will vote on confirmation thereon at 2:15 p.m.

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Following disposition of the nomination of Ravi Chaudhary, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Laura Taylor-Kale, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: March 16, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Agriculture, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: March 15, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2024 for the Congressional Budget Office, the Government Accountability Office, and the Government Publishing Office, 3 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: March 15, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ronald T. Keohane, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Nickolas Guertin, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, both of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

March 15, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine military and civilian personnel programs in the Department of Defense in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2024 and the Future Years Defense Program, 3 p.m., SR-222.

March 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the posture of United States Central Command and United States Africa Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2024 and the Future Years Defense Program; to be immediately followed by a closed session in SVC-217, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: March 16, to hold hearings to examine local views on public transportation, transit infrastructure and operations, and Federal transit programs, 10:10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: March 15, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2024, 10:15 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 16, to hold hearings to examine strengthening the aviation workforce, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 16, to receive a closed briefing on the assessment of the origins of COVID-19, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 15, to hold hearings to examine implementing the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, focusing on perspectives on the Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Act, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: March 16, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2024, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 15, to hold hearings to examine the future of U.S.-Brazil relations, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

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March 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the cybersecurity risks to the healthcare sector, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 15, to hold hearings to examine protecting public safety after *New York State Rifle and Pistol Association v. Bruen.*, 10 a.m., SH-216.

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Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Wednesday, March 15

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Following disposition of the nomination of Ravi Chaudhary, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Laura Taylor-Kale, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

(Senate will recess following the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Eric M. Garcetti until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

11 a.m., Friday, March 17

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 11 a.m.

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